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WEATHER

Temperatures averaged below normal for the week with some minima as low as sixteen degrees below zero.

Precipitation, mostly in the form of snow, of one-half to three-quarters inch fell over the west and north portions of the State with one-fourth inch or less over the southeast. Snow depth ranged up to one foot.

CROPS

Some Nebraska farmers still have a little corn left to be harvested. Reports from county agents indicate less than 5% of the acreage remains for harvest. Light to heavy snows on Tuesday further delayed the remaining corn harvest.

Snow cover in winter wheat areas has been providing good protection for the wheat crop. The condition of the crop is rated as good.

Surface moisture was rated as being adequate in 64% of the counties and short in the remaining counties. Subsoil moisture was rated adequate in 88% of the counties and short in remaining counties.

LIVESTOCK

Livestock are generally in good condition. Very cold temperatures during the week have been hard on stock and this along with snow cover in corn fields has required an increase in supplemental feeding. Movement to market is at a normal pace. Range, pasture, hay, forage and feed grain supplies are about normal for this time of year.

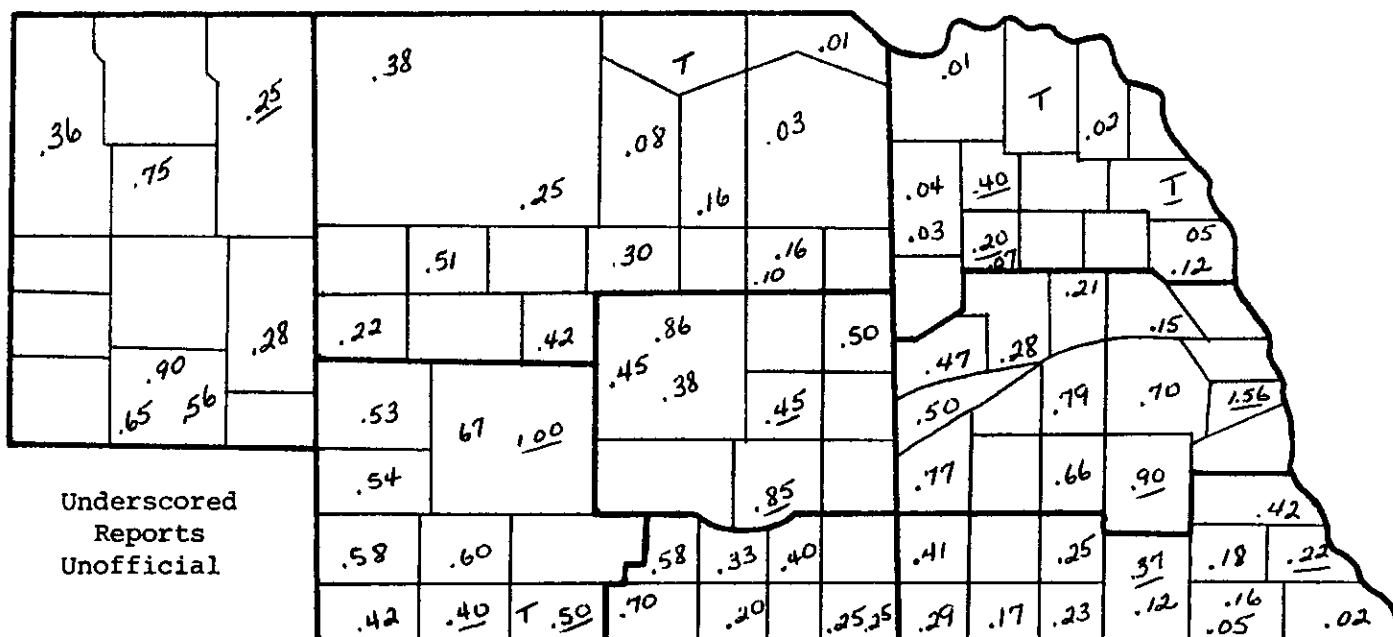
GENERAL

About three days were suitable for field work last week. Main farm activities include some corn harvesting, moving of hay to feeding areas, attending farm sales, removal of snow, and general chore activities.

NOTICE

This report will be published on a monthly instead of a weekly basis for the next three months. The report will be published the first Monday of each month summarizing the previous month's activities. The next report will be published on January 7 due to the holidays.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1973



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 P.M. SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1973

Station		Temperature				Precipitation
		Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches <u>1/</u>
		Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	54	-2	23	--	.23
	Scottsbluff	54	-16	20	-8	.09
	Sidney	--	--	--	--	--
NC	Burwell	--	--	--	--	--
	Valentine	50	-6	23	-2	.05
NE	Norfolk	43	-6	19	-6	.08
	Sioux City	37	-5	18	-6	T
CEN	Grand Island	37	-4	18	-8	.71
EC	Lincoln	34	-16	15	-11	.89
	Omaha	35	-8	19	-7	.23
SW	Imperial	57	-9	--	--	--
	North Platte	37	-11	21	-6	.37

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.

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